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In re the Application of: TANIMOTO, Takeshi et al.

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IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND DEVELOPING DEVICE For.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

July 29, 2002

Sir:

The Examiner's approval of the drawing corrections indicated in red ink on the attached one sheet of drawing, of Fig. 14, is respectfully requested.

Upon receipt of approval of the drawing corrections and a formal Notice of Allowance, a bonded draftsman will be retained and the appropriate corrections will be made.

In the event any fees are required in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: 1 Sheet of Corrected Drawings: Fig. 6